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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 2, 2009

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the *Non-Final Office Action* dated September 2, 2009, having a shortened statutory period for response expiring on December 2, 2009. In reply, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. The changes made are shown by underlining the added text and striking through the deleted text.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.